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19 September 1956

I N T E L L I G E N C E A D V I S O R Y C O M M I T T E E

Minutes of Meeting Held in
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 19 September 1956

Acting Director of Central Intelligence
Lieutenant General Charles P. Cabell
Presiding*

Deputy Director (Intelligence), CIA
Robert Amory, Jr.
Presiding*

M E M B E R S P R E S E N T

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant for Intelligence,
Department of State
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Laurence H. Frost, Director of Naval Intelligence,
Department of the Navy
Major General Millard Lewis, Director of Intelligence, Headquarters,
United States Air Force
Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence,
The Joint Staff
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative
to the IAC
Mr. Ralph R. Roach, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation
representative to the IAC

* Part of meeting

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1. SNIE 30-5-56
The Likelihood of Certain
Developments in the Suez
Crisis

a. Approved as amended.

b. The Chairman commended those who had participated in the preparation of this estimate, and noted that, in the present situation, the IAC members might be called upon to validate this estimate on very short notice.

2. Approval of Minutes
11 September Meeting
(IAC-M-255)

Approved as written, subject to the following amendments in item 2 (Watch Committee Report):

(1) Subparagraph b -- amend the first sentence to read: "The Chairman noted that the conclusions of the annex were substantially estimative in nature, and queried whether such estimates should not have the approval of the IAC in a formal meeting."

(2) Subparagraph d -- amend the statement within the parentheses in lines five and six to read: "(This is standard practice under NSCID No. 1, para. 6.)"

3. Watch Committee Report
No. 319

Noted this report, including the special report incorporated in the annex thereto.

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4. Communist China's Imports
and Exports, 1955: Trade
and Transport Involved
(IAC-D-42/12.3, 6 September 1956)

a. Approved this report.

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5. Fifth Annual Progress Report
of the Economic Intelligence
Committee
(IAC-D-22/6, 20 August 1956)

a. Noted this report.

b. Mr. Amory noted the fine work done by the Economic Intelligence Committee, referring particularly to the fact that certain aspects of its work had proved useful to advisers to the President on economic policy.

6. Post-Mortem and Validity Study
for NIE 11-4-56, Soviet Capa-
bilities and Courses of Action
Through 1961
(Memorandum to IAC, 10 September)

a. Noted the findings and approved the recommended action, as amended, of the post-mortem on NIE 11-4-56.

b. Noted the validity study of NIE 11-3-55, "Soviet Capabilities and Probable Soviet Courses of Action Through 1960," 17 May 1955.

Adjournment: 1225

Secretary

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